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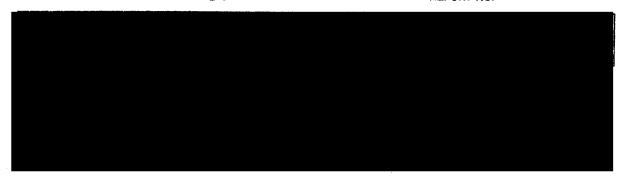
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- At present there are no regular Yugoslav Army troops stationed within 30 25X1X to 40 kilometers of the Bulgarian border in the area south of Gorna
  Dzhumaya in Bulgaria, The border proper is patrolled 25X1X Dzhumaya in Bulgaria, The border proper is pauro by border guards only. These are now exclusively Serbs, all Croats, Macedonians, and Slovenes having been withdrawn.
  - 2. At present the unit strength in the area is as follows:
    - Vladimirovo One infantry regiment which was previously stationed at
    - Dvorishte One border battalion.
    - Pehcevo One border company o
    - Pancarevo Approximately 60 border guards.
    - Golek Approximately two regiments encamped around the mountain.
    - Suha Laki (sic) One infantry battalion.
  - Trenches with gun emplacements were observed extending south from Fancarevo to the Greek-Bulgarian-Yugoslav border.
  - Almost daily border clashes are reported to occur where the border guards are only ten meters (sic) from the frontier.
  - Source also reports that in the spring of 1951 Yugoslav government-directed "over-border" activities into the Struma Valley were increased.
  - 6. In the Vardar area of Macedonia, economic conditions are reported to be worse than in any time in the memory of its present inhabitants. Malnutrition and lack of clothing are evident.
  - 7. However, despite the poor economic conditions, source reports that the morale of the Yugoslav population in this border area seems to be higher

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than that of the Bulgarian inhabitants. The Yugoslavs appear almost eager for a fight against Stalin, believing that war will remove the Tito regime and bring United States troops and food into the area.

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25X1A Comment: Your attention is called to which reported on the reinforcement of the infantry units stationed in the Dmitrovgrad area, north of the border zone discussed above.

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